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**DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING  
AN APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)**

**Title of Invention** Metal Loaded Carbon Filaments

As below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

☒ The attached application, or

☐ Application No. , filed on .

☐ as amended on (if applicable);

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

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Date: 8/8, 2003

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Date: 8/12, 2003

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☐ Additional inventors are being named on additional form(s) attached hereto.

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|  | Filing Date            | Herewith                         |
|  | First Named Inventor   | Joe D. Allison                   |
|  | Title                  | Metal Loaded Carbon<br>Filaments |
|  | Group Art Unit         | N/A                              |
|  | Examiner Name          | N/A                              |
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| Date      | August 19, 2003                      |

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